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SUBJ: TENDERS FOR NEW ZEALAND PIPELINE PROJECT

- 1. RECENTLY THE GNZ ANNOUNCED ITS INTENTION TO CALL FOR TENDERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NATURAL GAS PIPELINES FROM OAONUI TO KAPUNI IN TARANAKI, AND KINLEITH TO TE AWAMUTU IN THE CENTRAL PART OF THE NORTH ISLAND. ABOUT DOLS NZ5 MILLION WORTH OF PIPES WILL BE INVOLVED.
- 2. OAONUI-KAPUNI LINE IS A SHORT PIPELINE TAKING GAS BETWEEN TWO TREATMENT PLANTS. TE-AWAMUTU TO KINLEITH LINE WILL BE LONGER TAKING GAS FROM THE MAIN NORTH ISLAND TRANSMILLION SYSTEM TO THE LARGE TIMBER PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN THE BAY OF PLENTY.
- 3. MAIN INTEREST IS EXPECTED FROM AUSTRALIA, WHICH SUPPLIED THE NEW PLYMOUTH POWER STATION PIPES; INDIA WHICH SUPPLIED KAPUNI NATURAL GAS PIPELINES; AND JAPAN, WHICH ALSO SUPPLIED SOME KAPUNI PIPES.
- ${\it 4.}~{\it EMBASSY}~{\it WELLINGTON}~{\it MAY}~{\it WISH}~{\it TO}~{\it COMMENT}~{\it FURTHER}~{\it ON}~{\it THIS}~\\ {\it INVESTMENT}~{\it OPPORTUNITY}.~{\it SQUIRE}~\\$

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